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BOARD OF FUNERAL SERVICES

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MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF FUNERAL SERVICES

DATE AND TIME: June 27, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: August 22, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

S. Keith Parsell, Professional Member, President Ann Happoldt, Public Member Jane Hovington, Public Member Bill Torbert, Professional Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Duwayne Casini, Professional Member, Secretary Chad Chandler, Professional Member Danna Levy, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF

Meredith Hurley, Administrative Specialist II Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General

PUBLIC PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Parsell called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Closed to the Public)

Discussion of Potential Litigation Concerning Invalidated Exam Scores

At 10:02 a.m. Mr. Torbert moved, seconded by Ms. Hovington, to enter into executive session to discuss the potential litigation concerning invalidated exam scores. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

At 10:31 a.m. the executive session adjourned.

Mr. Torbert moved, seconded by Ms. Hovington, to send those Delaware Funeral Director licensees affected by the invalidated exam scores to the Administrative Hearing Unit to be scheduled for a Rule to Show Cause hearing. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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CONDUCT DELIBERATIONS FROM PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOARD'S RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Board held their deliberations from the March 28, 2017 public hearing regarding the proposed amendments to the Board's rules and regulations. There were no additional comments received. Ms. Hurley presented the Order for Board member signatures.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - March 28, 2017

Mr. Torbert moved, seconded by Ms. Hovington, to approve the March 28, 2017 meeting minutes as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding SB65 and Changes to Rules & Regulations

The Board reviewed the outline for funeral home and crematory inspections that Mr. Parsell drafted. They will continue their review at the next scheduled meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Applications for Continuing Education Approval

Ms. Happoldt moved, seconded by Ms. Hovington, to approve the 1 hour requested by Joshua Schoenberg for "Obituaries & Servicing Funeral Homes." By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Ratification of Applications for Licensure

Mr. Torbert moved, seconded by Ms. Happoldt, to ratify the Funeral Establishment Permits listed below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Rogers Funeral Home Bennie Smith Funeral Home (Dagsboro Location) Bennie Smith Funeral Home (Wilmington Location)

Complaint Updates

The complaints listed below were informational only, no Board action required.

Complaint #27-04-16 – Closed by Division Due to Insufficient Evidence Complaint #27-03-16 – Sent to Attorney General Complaint #27-02-16 – Sent to Attorney General

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (For discussion only)

There was no other business before the Board.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business before the Board, Ms. Hovington moved, seconded by Mr. Torbert, to adjourn the meeting at 11:11 a.m. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Meredith Hurley Administrative Specialist II